

The Weather:
Right for Inspection?

THE DIXIE

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RED CROSS IS OFFERING MANY CAMP SERVICES

Director Selleck Lists Services for Sick and Well

In Mess Hall 5 near Camp Headquarters is the office of an organization ready to serve the soldiers of Camp Blanding as it has served millions of other Americans in war and peace.

This is the office of the Red Cross, which is being maintained for the convenience of the military personnel. Field Director Frank Selleck listed the following services this week in an invitation to all men to take more advantage of the Red Cross.

SERVICE FOR ABLE-BODIED

1. To furnish information about particulars of the Government's program, such as insurance, allowances, allotments, etc., and to assist in handling difficulties in which they are involved.

2. To arrange for furnishing relief in distress among families of soldiers.

3. To assist in locating families of soldiers.

4. To arrange helpful advice on welfare matters for families of soldiers.

5. To assist in securing employment for members of soldiers' families.

6. To locate men in the service for inquiring families.

7. To make loans to soldiers to return home on account of distress, sickness, or death in the immediate family when a soldier or his family is without sufficient funds; such as loans to be

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Here's What Maj. Shipman Sang In '17 Training Camp

Back in 1917 Major Smylie Shipman of the 11th Company of the 2nd Officers Training Camp at Leon Springs, Texas, used to sing this song all the time. Major Smylie Shipman is now the Inspector General of the 31st Division at present. Here's his song, as submitted by Lt. Col. Henry E. Walden.

(to be sung to Turkey In The Straw)

Oh we've marched through dust and we've marched through mud

We slept on the floor and we've lived on spuds

We ain't got no money and we ain't got no clothes,

But they wake us up before the sun has rose.

Get up boys and put on your clothes, get out before reville blows

Stand in line with your pack on your back,

Put your rifle on your shoulder and bawl 'er jack.

DIXIE SOLDIERS ATTEND COLLEGE



The above is a photograph of students and instructors of the course in military sketching and drafting being given by the College of Engineering of the University of Florida in co-operation with the U. S. Department of Education for the 31st Division. Those completing the course will be given full college credit in the subjects. Those shown in uniform are enlisted men of the 106th Engineers. Instructors are in civilian clothes.

Bottom row, left to right: Dean Joseph Weil, School of Engineering; P. F. C. Barney W. Braxton, Co. F, Haines City, Fla.; P. F. C. William H. Wilson, Headquarters and Service Co., Drew, Miss.; Pvt. Waldo Davis, Co. F, Eagle Lake, Fla.; P. F. C. Earl S. Baird, Headquarters and Service Co., Lake Wales, Fla.; James F. Shiver, Laboratory Technician; Professor W. H. Beisler, Head Chemical Engineering Dept.

Second row: Professor G. H. Keith, instructor in Mechanical Drawing Dept.; P. F. C. A. L. Hamison, Co. E, Apalachicola, Fla.; P. F. C. C. D. Bailey, Co. E, Apalachicola, Fla.; P. F. C. Eugene E. Fay, Co. D, Panama City, Fla.; Pvt. William H. Weeks, Jr., Headquarters and Service Co., Doddsville, Miss.; M. Gomez, graduate assistant, C. E. Dept.

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STARKE'S SOLDIERS LUCKIEST OF ANY AT CAMP BLANDING

By Pvt. A. W. Anderson, Jr.
Hq. Det. Md. Bn., 124th Inf.

The 15 fellows that comprise the Headquarters Detachment of the Second Battalion, 124th Infantry, are considered by most of that regiment as the luckiest guys in camp because they are only 10 miles from their home town, Starke. Lieut. Richard G. Kidd, Jr., the commanding officer, is also from Starke, and his wife and small son, Richard III, reside there.

The reason for this command by Major General John A. Persons is that the present custom of congregating on the highway proper, and walking in large groups is dangerous to the safety of the soldiers.

Fruits To 116th

The Winter Haven, Florida American Legion combined efforts with five packing houses in that city, and presented Battery F, 116th Field Artillery, with one hundred cases of citrus fruit.

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INSPECTION OF DIVISION BEING CONDUCTED FRIDAY - SATURDAY

GOMEZ SEEKING SERVICE CROWN

Dixie Division Heavy Has Enviable Record

A challenge to the armed forces of the U. S.—The 116th wishes to secure a worthy opponent for its heavy weight hope, Private Thomas "Tommy" Gomez. The regiment hereby challenges any heavyweight in the armed forces to a match for the heavyweight championship, the details of the matches as to time place and conditions to be a matter of mutual agreement.

Thomas E. Gomez, Jr., enlisted in Medical Detachment at Tampa, Fla. He was inducted into federal services on November 25, 1940 at Tampa and is now stationed with his Detachment still with 116th F. A. at Camp Blanding, Florida. Gomez is 20 years old, he weighed for his last fight, 180 pounds, January 25, 1941. He began his pro ring career in Tampa, Fla.

Gomez has fought 28 professional fights, lost one by decision and won the rest, 20 by clean knockouts.

According to available records his ring history is as follows:

History

Billie Parker—Ft. Myers—1st K. O.—Sarasota.

Kid Bobber—Tampa—1st K. O. Ft. Myers.

Young Allen—Macon—2nd K. O.—Tampa.

Leon Foucart—Jacksonville—1st

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Bishop O'Hara Visits Blanding

Bishop O'Hara, Bishop Diocese of the Army and Navy and for many years Head of Notre Dame University, visited Camp Blanding January 30th, making a tour of inspection during his stay. The Bishop was accompanied on his tour by Chaplain Nolan, of the 116th Field Artillery, a long time friend. The Churchman was a luncheon guest of Colonel Kelley, Station Commander.

Lt. Col. Bushnel 56th Ex. Officer

Lt. Col. Byron E. Bushnel, for the last six years assigned as executive officer of the 116th Field Artillery, has been appointed executive officer for the 56th Field Artillery Brigade. Colonel Bushnel had served fifteen years as a member of the Regiment previous to the transfer.

Dixiedoodle Says:
How's your pass stand-
ing?

Technical and Tactical Aspects of Training Are Observed

Today and Saturday, the 31st Division will undergo its mid-term inspection by Major General John C. Persons, Division commander, and a corps of officers. The general purpose of the inspection is to determine the proficiency attained by the various units and the status of supplies, uniforms and equipment.

With the 13-week training half completed, the commander must know the definite progress of the division in order to complete plans for the second half. To be noticed chiefly during the inspection will be condition of company areas, mess halls, and the progress of trainees in the various phases of their work.

Technical and tactical inspections will be conducted Friday, and the basic training inspection tour will be conducted between 9 o'clock and noonday, Saturday.

Technical and tactical inspection of the infantry rifle company, heavy weapons company, anti-tank company, and battalion headquarters detachment will include in the tactical inspection phase, a rifle company in attack; heavy weapons company in defense, anti-tank company in defense, and the operation of message center, observation post and intelligence patrol.

Infantry basic and administrative inspection is to come Saturday morning between 9 and 11:30 a. m.

Inspection of the artillery regiments, containing as many officers and men as any other individual regiments with the exception of the infantry's, technical and tactical phases, will include a march to and from the artillery firing range; reconnaissance, occupation and organization of position, there; installation and operation of complete signal communication, and a field problem which will signify support of infantry in attack.

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Three Officers Of 116th to Sill

Three officers of the 116th Field Artillery received appointments to attend the school of fire at Ft. Sill. They will be enrolled in the Battery Officers' course of the school. They are: Capt. Ralph J. King, Btry. A. Capt. William S. Myrick Hq. Btry. 2nd Bn., and Capt. Morris J. Wilson, Hq. Btry. 2nd Bn. They will leave camp not later than February 5th and arrive in Ft. Sill in time for their class on February 9th.

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THESE RUMORS

So far, in this month and a half at Camp Blanding, we've been told with conviction that the Dixie Division is going to Panama, to Puerto Rico, to South Carolina, to Newfoundland, and to Mississippi for the maneuvers. If we can get around that fast, we'll be about the slickest blitzkreiging division in the American Army, and the future of the nation is assured.

But of course, we aren't going to all of those places, not in a year anyhow, and if you look ahead more than a year you might as well include South America, Africa, Asia, Europe and Australia, not to mention a hitherto undiscovered atoll or two in the Pacific. And all this is simply by way of saying that the starting and the perpetuation of rumors is a silly, fruitless pastime, that serves principally to agitate people back home.

Actually, the soldiers here at camp don't give much of a hoot where they go. As a matter of fact, we suspect that most of us would like to see some furrin parts before we go back to Mississippi and Alabama and Louisiana and the less sandy districts of Florida. If we could arrange things, we'd make it Newfoundland in the summer, South Carolina in the fall, Puerto Rico in the winter and Panama in the event there wasn't any other place to go. And we'd end up in Mississippi.

But since we aren't in charge of the army's travel schedules, we're not going to worry ourselves, or anyone back home, by repeating the latrine gossip that gets around more quickly than a sailor on leave. We'll know soon enough if we are going—And we'll like it if we do.

THEATER MEMO

Week Beginning Feb. 8

Following is a schedule of feature attractions coming to the 31st Division Theater during the week. Special matinees are offered each Saturday and Sunday afternoons beginning at 2 o'clock. There is only one performance in the afternoon. Regular night performances begin at 6 and 8 o'clock.

Saturday, Feb. 8—"SAPS AT SEA," featuring Laurel and Hardy, and Ben Turpin. Also "MELODY AND MOONLIGHT," featuring Johnny Downs, Jane Frazee and Jerry Colonna.

Sunday and Monday, Feb. 9 and 10—"WYOMING," featuring Wallace Beery, Leo Carillo, Joseph Callela, and Ann Rutherford.

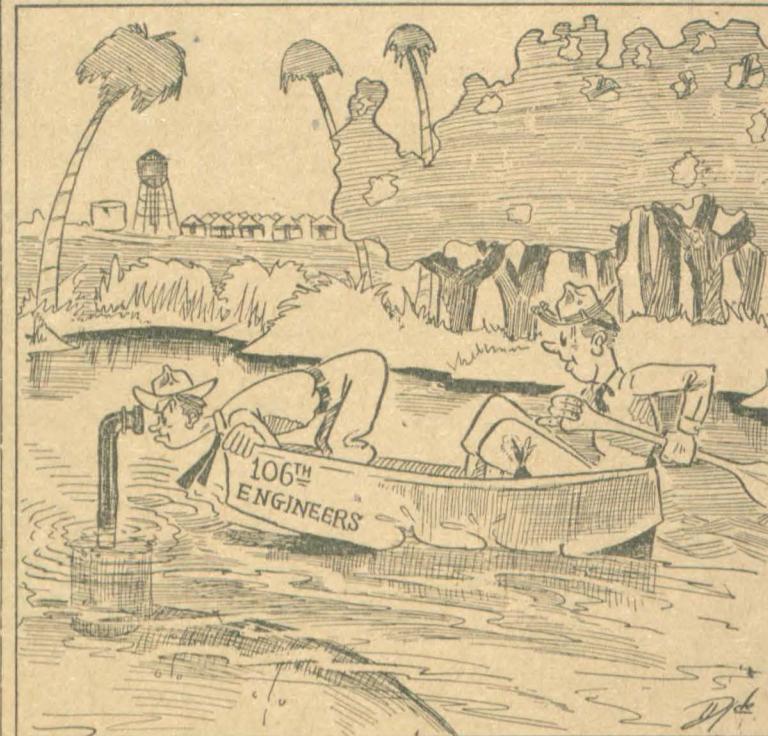
Tuesday, Feb. 11—"OUR TOWN," featuring William Holden, Martha Scott, Frank Craven, and Fay Bainter.

Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 12 and 13—"THIRD FINGER, LEFT HAND," featuring Myrna Loy, Melvyn Douglas and Lee Bowman.

Friday, Feb. 14—"DR. KILDARE GOES HOME," featuring Lew Ayres, Lionel Barrymore, Nat Pendleton and Laraine Day.

PVT. PALMETTO—

By Hale



"I think this should be reported to G-2."

SPECIALISTS ALL

MILITARY COPS
ARE HUMAN TOO

Here's Story of One of
Them Who Isn't a Veteran

(Ed's Note.—This is the third of a series of articles describing the jobs in our modern army.)

You've seen it happen innumerable times during your short stay in camp, and the story will be repeated many more times before the time comes to again turn these camps into pastures and boys laugh at the idea of having to serve a year in the army. A crowd of men in uniform stand in a group. Another soldier strolls toward the crowd, and rapidly it breaks up, with various soldiers hurrying in different directions. On the intruder's arm is a band, proclaiming: MP.

And in that lonely figure you find the most unappreciated man in the army. His is a thankless task, drawing the impersonal dislike of all soldiers at hindrance of their pleasure. But he is just another normal soldier going about his assigned duty, and that job is one of the most important in several ways. Upon the conduct of the individual soldier depends the judgment of the average civilian.

NO DISTINCTION

It is not as in civil life, where a man is referred to as an individual, but now all men in uniform are designated by the man in the street as soldier or sailor, and that is the extent of the distinction. And the MP has the job of forcing his fellow soldiers at play, to remember that responsibility they carry.

Pvt. Woodrow Head is a typical Military Policeman. A native of Prichard, Alabama, he was a worker in a paper mill until two days before induction. He joined the MP company because it happened to be the outfit in his home town. He had no special desire to be a policeman, would much rather have been just an ordinary soldier, but the laws of chance threw him into his job.

He is a normal, 25-year-old man, with the same desire for pleasure of any other like him. But the common idea in the mind

Changes Made
Training Period

A change has been announced by 31st Division Headquarters, in the schedule of training. The four hour night operations schedule for the 61st and 62nd Infantry Brigades, will be cancelled during the 8th and 9th weeks, and replaced by tactical training. Due to the non-completion of bayonet runs, time allotted to bayonet training will be used in tactical training during the 8th week.

Non-Com Party

The Dixie Division's high stepping non-coms fling their first fiesta Saturday night in the Hotel George Washington's Rainbow Room, according to the club's president, Technical Sergeant Ellis, Headquarters company.

Four Division staff officers have been invited to the supper dance, to be attended by 14 members of the club and their dates. All 31st Division non-commissioned officers in the first four ranks are urged to contact the club for membership blanks.

of the average trainee is that they are haunting spectres, following them along the streets of cities, waiting to pounce.

MP'S JOB CLEAR

This is completely false. They want only to be allowed to keep their assigned territories cleared in the manner they have orders to do, and the main necessity is co-operation from the men on leave. Where the infantryman is detailed to clean up his company area, the MP is assigned the job of keeping clear the towns to be visited.

And the Military Police have no bed of roses. They must do all sanitary police work about their company, do KP, and guard duty rolls around almost every day. For there is an assignment for almost every man each day.

The MP will continue to spell "move on" or "break it up" to the soldier, but he deserves recognition for his job, calling for probably more stamina than any other peace time detail. For it takes more determination to stick to a job carrying unpopularity, than to do twice as much work when recognition and friendship is achieved.

PRIVATE
TALK
BY
PRIVATE JAMES ALSOP

Just a few thoughts in passing—brought about by the news that the Division will soon have a heavy influx of new recruits. And will they be raw—. Imagine yourself, soldier, in a way of life you had never known—thrown in with a group of men who have worked together until they form a closely knit unit.

Those boys are going to be lonely, scared and without doubt, will seem the dumbest crowd ever to enter your company. They will be joining a Division, famous as one of the crack units in the National Guard, and one of the best trained. They will be unused to the military way of life, just as we were in the beginning. They will be looking at you with awe, for you are now trained soldiers.

When you first came to Blanding, you met stark sand and water, and you took what equipment was handy and transformed that into a clean and liveable camp. BUT—you were in the company of your friends. You had known most of the men in your company all of your life. You knew your officers beforehand, and served alongside them before becoming a part of the Army of the United States.

These newcomers will have no friends they knew in civil life. They will be entering a huge, strange city, where nothing is familiar. They are coming here to be a part of this Division. They will be worked into the scheme of things until they also can carry on the traditions of the 31st.

And this is our job. To take this raw material and bring it up to our standard. Not to assume an antagonistic attitude, but to make these rookies feel the pride and tradition of our outfit. We must be the friends these boys left.

On you will rest the burden of proof. The officers are going to do their part toward training these men, but we enlisted men are the ones they will know intimately. We can make them glad that they came into our Division. Proud of the fact that they have been accepted by us.

The men assigned to the Division are from our home states, think the way we do, and come from the same types of life. We were allowed to adjust ourselves gradually, they will not have that chance. We can save them some of the bumps we were also spared. They will get their share of the work, never doubt that, but let's not ride them.

When they begin to come in, let's pitch in and help them. They will be our future buddies, and the men in the same ranks. Let's show them that this is really the Army of the United States, and we all are here for the same purpose. TO LEARN TO PULL AND WORK TOGETHER.

Just as one soldier to another, let's show these boys that the 31st is glad to get them.

Is it, or is it not a swell idea Master Sgt. L. M. Tricon is using. He writes one letter; information dealing with the things he has done during the past week. He then mimeographs that letter, sending a copy to each of his friends.

Wonder if his girl appreciates a carbon copy?

Jack White, Hq. Btry, 114th F. A., sends one in—it seems that a certain rookie, learning that canteen books were on sale, went to his top-kick and asked for a "latrine book." He was informed that dues for the previous month would have to be paid first.

Pvt. White sent in a poem soldiers would probably appreciate, but space will not be available at present.

YOU'RE WELCOME THERE SOLDIER—The Woman's Club of Green Cove Springs is having an open house each Monday and Saturday evening from 6:30 to 10:00 P. M. A special reading room has been set aside for your entertainment.

AND SPEAKING OF RED FACES—Pvt. Orum G. Reeves Btry. F, 117th F. A. decided that he had done enough work on his "Model tent" last Saturday, so he decided to drop over to see Corporal James McCarter. While there he took time to criticise several faults. He must have had some swell ideas; Corporal McCarter walked off with inspection honors.

BLANDING BREVITIES

"Everything from the First Reader Up" is available to studious infantrymen of the 167th regiment. Through the efforts of Lieut. Richard D. Wolcott, chaplain, the regiment has an extensive library, including fiction, factual texts, classics and scores of miscellaneous volumes.

All men of the 31st Division who formerly worked for the Coca Cola bottling company previous to their entering the army, are urged to contact Staff Sergeant Thomas Billello, Headquarters Battery, 114th Field Artillery. All men having worked for any Coca Cola company are eligible, and they are requested to send a card with their name and address.

Camp Blanding, Fla.—Promotion of Major William Smiley Shipman, inspector general of the 31st (Dixie) Division, to Lieutenant Colonel, was announced today by Brig. Gen. Louis F. Guerre, acting commanding general.

This was the first officer promotion made in the division since the National Guard unit began training here.

February 5th, due to the absence of Major General John C. Persons, Brigadier General L. F. Guerre assumed command of Camp Blanding, as he was senior officer present. He will fill the duties of commander until the return of General Persons.

February 5th, the Special Troops headquarters staff moved to their new headquarters building on Road C. Major George A. Haas, Provost Marshal, is now to be found at this headquarters, phone 386.

Officers and Chaplains attended the opening of the Jacksonville Armed Services center Jan. 31, and the center was opened to enlisted men the following day.

Attention is called to the fact that all privately owned automobiles must have two Camp license plates, obtainable at the office of the Camp Provost Marshal. Also, all automobiles must be registered with the Provost Marshal.

All Masons of the Camp are invited to attend a special meeting of the Ninth Masonic District, at the Masonic Temple, Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 21. The meeting will be on the seventh floor, with music, refreshments and lectures. All members of the fraternity are urged to bring a brother to the meeting.

Colonel O. W. McNeese was appointed to head a committee to contact members of SAE fraternity in the camp, with the purpose of organizing an active alumni association. All members of the fraternity are urged to contact Colonel McNeese. Public Relations Officer, 31st Div. Hq. Please send a list of known brothers in camp.

Captain Graham J. Barton of the 106th Engineers has been appointed Division Classification Officer.



SELECTIVE SERVICE MAN AS MUCH A SOLDIER AS ANYONE

By Captain Frank L. Ramsay

106th Med. Det.

The discussion at the present time seems to be what is the proper name for the new men who are entering the Army under the Selective Service Act. Numerous names have been submitted and the one to present the whole group is not agreeable to all, as some say that the selection of some of the submitted names would not be suitable as they would reflect on the men, and other just do not fit the situation.

The main three that are being used at the present time are Draftee, Selectee and Trainee. The term Draftee indicates that the man has been drafted and must incur that this term is detrimental to the character of involved men, as they are not drafted in the true sense of the word. I agree that this term should not be used.

IT'S SELECTEE

Selectee is a fair term to use, as it indicates more of the true sense why the man is in the Army. He has been selected from many and is selected for a definite job, and this is the true meaning of the terms of the act of why he is selected to serve his country.

Trainee is a poor term to apply to them as it means that they are being trained and ordered to be trained by law, and it does not help to express the character of the men.

The term that should be used and is the most correct one is SOLDIER. He is a soldier or is to be a soldier in every sense of the word and his duties will be of such. With these men being added to the present organized divisions, they will be just one of the boys in a very short time and will be working shoulder to shoulder with former members of the National Guard and Regular Army, all of which are now a part of the Army of the United States. When he becomes a member of the different units, he will have the same chance as the others as to promotion, ratings, candidate for commission, and the such as the rest. These men are coming from every walk of life and many are well qualified for the numerous places in the

WARNING ON VENEREAL ILLS

Likened to Treacherous, Dangerous Submarines

Like a submarine, but more treacherous and dangerous than any submarine, are gonorrhea and syphilis. The public is always horrified at the report of a ship being torpedoed with loss of life and property. LISTEN TO THIS! More people are being destroyed in one year by the ravages of gonorrhea and syphilis than have been lost by submarines since they have been invented. The germs of gonorrhea and syphilis, like a submarine are invisible and strike when and where you least expect them.

Gonorrhea is only acquired by direct contact through one who is infected and there has been no other means of infection ever proven.

It is most difficult to curb, and the germs can live and multiply, within certain organs many years when you are maybe under the impression of being cured. Gonorrhea can make you an invalid by attacking the heart valves and the joints through the blood stream. Gonorrhea of the eyes is responsible for many of the blind people in the world today.

THE FEEBLE MINDED

Syphilis has no respect for any organ of the body, and 80 per cent of the people who are feeble minded can trace it back to syphilis. If not acquired by themselves it can be traced back to the parents or grandparents and sometimes further back. There is no other disease known that will do more damage than syphilis. This damage can take place within a short time or 20 years after infected. Syphilis can be acquired innocently, so be careful whom you associate with.

A SUBMARINE CAN ONLY STRIKE IN DEEP WATER.

Army of today which is preparing to defend our country in case of an emergency.

So let us call him "Soldier" as that is what he is or will be. If you want to, you may also call him "Soljer."

GIST OF ORDERS

Relieved from assignment to 167th Inf. and assigned to 124th Inf.: 1st Lt. Grady W. Leach, 1st Lt. James H. Johnson, 2nd Lt. Clarence D. Gray, 2nd Lt. Horace D. Hester, 2nd Lt. Howard L. Ralls, Jr.

Attached from 167th Inf. to 124th Inf.: 2nd Lt. Lewis M. Hamner, 2nd Lt. Louie C. Cox.

Capt. Jerome A. Waterman, FA, appointed supply officer of division schools in addition to other duties.

2nd Lt. Henry L. Morris, Signal Corps, transferred fr. 31st Signal to 106th Ord. Co.

Sgt. Malcolm E. Morris, 31st Signal Co., ordered to Fort Monmouth, N. J., for Radio Operations course, Signal Corps School.

To Quartermaster Motor Transport School, Camp Holabird, Md.: Sgt. Thomas F. Daniels, Co. A; Sgt. Andrew J. Stephens, Jr., Co. D; Pvt. Irvin E. Deckleman, Co. B; Pvt. William H. Hester, Co. C; all of 106th QM Reg.

To Ft. Monmouth, N. J., to attend Signal Corps School (from 31st Sig. Co.): Pvt. Howard G. Dunn, Mr. Sgt. Sam B. St. John, Corp. William C. Caliborne, Pvt. Carl W. Brandeau, Pvt. Willie G. Pendleton.

Capt. John Heilich, QMC, 106th QM Reg., assigned to Hq. 31st Div., G-4 Sec.

To Ft. Benning, Ga., Infantry School, Communications officers course: 2nd Lt. Henry G. Schoffer, 2nd Lt. John M. Hogg, 2nd Lt. Fred L. Smith, 1st Lt. Christian J. Hilliard.

Detailed to duty at Hq. IV Corps, Jacksonville, Fla.: Capt. Walker Stamps, Pvt. Harry E. Robson, Pvt. Robert M. Shaefer, Pvt. Edward M. Smith, Pvt. Franklin H. Cummings.

To Ft. Monmouth, N. J., Signal Corps School (31st Signal Co.): Pvt. Joseph E. Chesky, Pvt. Guice G. Strong, Corp. John W. Therrell, Sgt. Oswell D. Karter, Eugene H. Broadway.

Co. M, 155th Inf. to Hq. Co. 31st Div., Finance Sec.: Pvt. Jack A. Salley, Jr., Pvt. Joseph A. Santa Cruz, Pvt. Bailey M. Santa Cruz.

Capt. W. E. Johnston, detailed from 155th Inf. to spec. duty—Sta. Hos.

2nd Lt. Frank Hopson, Jr., 167th Inf., spec. duty—Sta. Hos.

To Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., to attend command and Gen. Staff school: Major Harold P. Nathan, Capt. Robert H. Dawson, Capt. Wilbur K. Miller.

To QM school, Philadelphia, Pa., refresher course: 1st Lt. Daniel B. VanCourt, 1st Lt. Ernest F. Henley, 1st Lt. Elijah D. Morris.

To Ft. Sill, Okla., FA school: 1st Lt. Phillip J. Myers, 1st Lt. Herschel M. Finney, 1st Lt. Henry M. Fulton.

Holabird QM Depot, Baltimore, Md., advanced course, automotive mechanics: Sgt. Elwood P. Stake, Pvt. James W. Hale, Pvt. William E. Brewer.

To Ft. Sill, Okla., FA school: Sgt. Thomas E. Bowden, Sgt. Otho D. Dickinson, Corp. Hector D. Lane, Pvt. Gretel C. Fields, Corp. Jack D. Sells, Sgt. Robert C. Knowles, Sgt. Everett H. Fuller, Sgt. William L. Baggett, Sgt. John F. Salter, Sgt. Norman H. Rents, Pvt. James B. Thompson, Pvt. Benjamin F. Shaw.

To Holabird QM Depot, Baltimore, Md., QM Motor Transport School: 1st Lt. Seymour W. Bullock.

Board appointed to study and report on mechanical and tactical

500 WITNESS

124TH FIGHTS

Future Boxing Matches To Be Held on Thursday Nights

In the first bout of the evening at the 124th arena last week, Pvt. Luther L. Sellers of Jax, Fla., representing Co. G, lost a decision to Pvt. Thomas Harris, of Jax, Fla., representing Co. F. Both boys weighed 130 pounds and put up a good scrap, with Sellers ducking into several good punches from Harris in the last round.

In the second bout Pvt. Douglas of Jax, Fla., drew with Pvt. Levile, Jax, Fla., who was representing Co. F. Douglass, of Anti-Tank Co. introduced a new style of fighting in the 124th Inf. arena. In his position and technique, this was a slugging feast from the first bell, both boys being in good condition, and willing to put up a good fight.

In the third bout 500 men and officers with several ladies cheered PPvt. Bernard Stephens, of Miami, Fla., representing Co. A, to a decision from Pvt. J. B. Barber from Live Oak, Fla., representing Co. E, weighing 148 pounds. In this bout Barber carried the fight to Stephens for the first round and a half to exhaust himself, and to have Stephens take advantage of his condition in the closing of the second and third round. The crowd enjoyed the fury of Stephen's blows, who kept Barber moving in the last round.

In the fourth bout Pvt. Levak of West Palm Beach dislocated his first round, while trying to land a haymaker on the button of Pvt. Maurice Hargrave of Co. I, both boys weighing 160 pounds.

Future fights will be held in the 124th Inf. arena on Thursday night so as to give the men Friday nights for time to prepare for inspection, which comes on Saturday morning, everyone is invited to attend these matches.

124th's Alligator

Is Newest Weekly

The 124th Infantry Alligator is the newest and the most detailed regimental newspaper to appear in Camp Blanding.

Edited by Tech. Sgt. Joseph C. Govocek, the Alligator is a large, six page mimeographed weekly, with a cartoon cover and numerous well-written stories. Assistant Editors are Tech. Sgt. James H. Shannon, St. Sgt. Bronze M. Cagle, Sgt. Richard B. Peacock, Corp. Russell Hull and Corp. Albert B. Lussier. The art editor is Corp. Jack B. Prostor, and Lt. Frank H. Crowe is advisor.

handling of 75MM anti-tank guns assigned Division: Brig. Gen. Louis F. Guerre, Brig. Gen. Sumpter L. Lowery, Col. F. W. Manley, Col. A. G. Paxton, Lt. Col. Patrick E. Shea.

To Signal School, Ft. Monmouth, N. J., from 31st Div. Signal Co.: Corp. Sanford H. Crooks, Corp. Clyde H. Hemphill, Sgt. Ernest L. Moorehead, Sgt. Martin O. Sweeney, Corp. Harry H. Woods, Sgt. Francis C. Rosser.

To Edgewood Arsenal, Md. Chemical Warfare School: 2nd Lt. James Y. Rogers.

EYES RIGHT Along Dixie's Company Streets

167TH INFANTRY

The four horsemen of Headquarters Co., 167th Infantry, will ride again soon with the return from the hospital of Green Wadsworth, who recently suffered a fractured jawbone.

According to Captain Schneider their real name is the "Ungodly Four," but he may be slightly biased. Their record is to date that they can get into more trouble than any ten rookies in the Division. So far, this claim has not been challenged.

When the Captain gave orders that they were not to work or play together, they would depart on obviously different duties, but would somehow accidentally meet in the area. The unfailing result was a general melee for all about them.

The latest announced plan for remaining together is that the four, Tommie Gilpin, James Blackshear, Curtiss Main and Wadsworth, are going to form a quartet. If the result is as much discord as before, PITY THE REST OF THE REGIMENT.

When Company A passes Company D, the remark is often heard: "There go the squirrel shooters." This idea has grown out of the fact that A is a rifle company. But the laugh was reversed. Monday week, the company returned to the street with two live squirrels, captured by the hands of Frankie Barringer and J. H. Bell. They have resided lately in the chicken coop at the rear of the mess hall, and until recently, had M. P. Griffith's pet alligator as a constant companion.

Monday, Jan. 21, Dr. Andrew Smith was transferred to Company A from the Medical Detachment, and to make the occasion a "Smith Day," his brother, Lieut. Henry A. Smith, reported back for duty after a week of illness.

Lieut. William D. Roby, Company A, has been transferred to Fort Benning, Ga., to study for a promotion. He will return to the company upon completion of his course.

Promotions in Company B: Corporals promoted to sergeants, Paul B. Anderson, Charles E. Benley, William I. Messengale, William C. Moore, Thomas E. Pilkerton, James A. Singley, Owen P. Stewart, Boyd E. Thomas and Henry A. Williams. Privates to Corporals: Lester Averett, Houston W. Colburn, Ruben R. Jones, Fred D. Livingston, Richard N. Martin, Goldsby K. Osburn, Earle R. Richardson and Lester M. Tucker.

Men from Company B in attendance at service schools and the respective schools are: Pvt. Jake C. Chaney, cooks and bakers; Pvt. 1st Cl. Levi B. Smith, armor-artificer; Sgt. Edward W. Smith, 60 MM mortar; Lieut. Gwaltney McCollum, grenade; Sgt. Russell J. Suther, grenade; Sgt. David Clary, bayonet; Lieut. Henry B. Holt, light machine gun; Sgt. James W. Yeager, M-1 rifle.

Members of the medical detachment are now undergoing rigid training in the requirements of first aid and sanitation. They are also given long hikes with the regiment, where they have been getting plenty of practical experience.

114TH FIELD ARTILLERY

Lieut. Col. William E. Roberts, Jr., has returned from Fort Leavenworth, where he was enrolled in a two-month's course at the Command and General Staff School.

The regimental band rendered a concert program Monday night at the recreation hall. Other recreation features under the direction of Chaplain E. E. Wells included a movie of the outstanding football games of 1937, '38, '39 and '40. Weight lifters from the 167th Infantry drew applause Tuesday night.

Classification of enlisted men will start this week according to 2nd Lieut. Thomas B. Prewitt, assistant adjutant, in charge of the interviews. For several days Lieut. Prewitt has been conducting schools for commissioned and enlisted personnel who are to serve as assistants. Classification covers comprehensive interviews and intelligence tests. It is believed that it will require about two weeks to finish the job.

Sergt. Raymond A. Mullins, Headquarters Battery 2nd Battalion, was commended by Lieut. Col. Philip S. Pugh and Col. A. G. Paxton for the high mark made on his final examination in the 31st Division Chemical Warfare School. Mullins was a voluntary student in the course.

156TH INFANTRY

Recent promotions in Company D: Corp. Alvis C. Dunne, to Sergeant; Pvt Claude A. Ernst to corporal; Pvt. Eugene C. Fruchtgarten, to corporal; Pvt Edwin A. Harlan, to corporal; Pvt John H. Kraemer to corporal; Pvt Jacob H. Kunzli to corporal; Pvt Edward D. McDonough, to corporal; Pvt Sidney J. Mentz to corporal; Pvt Peter F. Haughton, to corporal.

Company B has acquired seven new Sergeants as well as eleven new corporals. Those promoted to sergeants were: Corporal Harry Badeaux, Corp Dudley Gautreaux, Corp John Ereider; Corp Norman Luquette, Corp Allen McElroy, Corp Orion Robicheau, Corp Moses Taylor.

Promoted to Corporal in Company B are: Ppts 1st class Roy Boudreau, Warren Davidson, John Fernandez, Joseph Guzzetta, Virgil Ereider, John Logan, Harold Louviere, Hilton Michel, Roland Rhodes, Joseph Spinella and Philip Vicknair.

2nd Lt. Frank J. Husband and Sgts. Harry Davis, Murphy Simmons and Ogden Stansbury of Co. B, have completed their courses in the Division schools, all attaining the grade of Excellent.

First Sgt. Joseph Michel Co. B, made the trip home in order to visit his mother who is seriously ill.

Boxers of the Regiment weighed in last Friday for the coming matches, and final work was completed on the boxing ring.

116TH FIELD ARTILLERY ORCHESTRA PLENTY HOT

The 116th Field Artillery has the best orchestra this writer has heard in the Division to date, and he has tried to get around. Of course, ducking while sticking his neck out, he is willing to hear any other outfit who would like to throw out a challenge to a battle royal, to be judged by the Division as a whole.

WE WANT NEWS!!

"Say—aren't you on the DIXIE?"

"Yup."

"Well, I've got a bone to pick with you. Why'nell don't you give our outfit a little play in that rag of yours."

"What regiment you from?"

"The Nth, and you could give us a little space."

And so the life of a reporter goes. The DIXIE editorial staff is composed of two officers and one enlisted man who attempt to publish a paper for a town of much more than the average size, keep a press bureau going full blast and act as circulation and financial staff for the paper.

The DIXIE is the division paper all right. Its main function is to give the news of the various units in the confines of the camp, but it is absolutely impossible for one or two men to cover an area this large for individual news. It is up to company reporters to furnish us with that data, and the paper will be only too glad to print it.

If a member of the Division wants anything in print, or knows anything worth printing, he should give that to his unit reporter and request that it be sent on to the DIXIE.

If your unit hasn't had the space it deserves, send in some news. Make it a point to let us know. Any suggestions for stories or features will be whole-heartedly appreciated.

GOMEZ SEEKING

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K. O.—Tampa.

Leo Bailey—St. Petersburg—3rd—

K. O.—Tampa.

Billy Rose—Sarasota—2nd—K. O.—Tampa.

Pedri Georgi—California—4th—

K. O.—Sarasota.

Hard Rock Hardin—S. C.—7th—

K. O.—Tampa.

Jack Raleigh—Ohio—2nd—K. O.—

Clearwater.

Lee Silvers—N. Y.—3rd—K. O.—

Tampa.

Marty Clark—McDill Field—1st—

K. O.—Tampa.

Woody Jones—9th—K. O.—Tampa.

Bob Monin—5th & 6th—K. O.—

Tampa.

Texas Joe Dundee—Jacksonville—

3rd—K. O.—Tampa.

Decisions Won

Manard Daniels—Wash.—10th—

Tampa.

Young Allen—10th—Tampa.

Woody Jones—Tenn.—10th—

Tampa.

Leon Foucart—Jacksonville—10th—

Tampa.

Delmas Sloan—Ft. Myers—10th—

Tampa.

Defeats

Buddy Rose—10th—Tampa.

On a return match, Gomez knocked Rose out in 2nd round.

Anyone wishing to answer this challenge and we hope there will be many will please communicate with Robert L. Genovar, Athletic Officer 116th F. A., Camp Blanding, Florida.

A large number of soldiers are driving without licenses, and are subject to arrest, the State Highway Patrol reports. Get licenses at the Provost Marshal's office.

RED CROSS

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made only upon the recommendation of commanding officers and after verification has been made.

8. To assist in solving business problems of soldiers and their families.

9. To arrange helpful advice to discharged disabled soldiers returning home and to assist them in re-establishing themselves in civilian life.

SERVICE FOR MEN IN HOSPITAL

1. To co-ordinate and conduct recreational and entertainment activities for convalescents in hospitals of the Army.

2. To furnish writing material and to write letters for patients unable to do so themselves and encourage families to write cheerful letters to them.

3. To notify families when a man is admitted to the hospital for any disease that is serious in its nature, or which might develop into something serious.

4. In case of death immediately to communicate to the family whatever details may in the opinion of the medical officers be advisable; telegrams to be sent only at the request of the commanding officer.

5. In case of serious or prolonged illness, to send families bulletins of progress, the frequency of which depends on the seriousness of the disease.

6. To look after the comfort and interest of relatives who may be summoned to the bedside of patients.

7. Upon the recommendation of medical officers to make loans to soldiers to enable them to take advantage of furloughs for the purpose of recuperating from illness when they and their families are without sufficient funds for the purpose.

8. To visit the wards of the hospital regularly for the purpose of bringing to light problems that might be preying on the minds of patients, thereby retarding their recovery, and to work out the solution of such problems with the co-operation of medical officers.

INSPECTION OF

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The 106th Engineers, commanded by Col. Harry Hulen, will have several demonstrations to put on for the day's inspection tour.

The Quartermaster Regiment will be inspected with officers bearing chiefly on vehicles, shops, and personnel. The forming of a convoy, and the transportation of the 106th Medical Regiment to its demonstration area and return.

The demonstration by the 106th Medical Regiment will consist in technical and tactical operations, a march to and from the area where the inspection will be made, reconnaissance and estimate of the situation. Setting up aid station to be used in the demonstration, and the station's operation.

Starke's Soldiers

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town, but they seem to draw their life blood from the civilian workers of Blanding rather than from the military personnel, and are in for a depression when the construction work is completed.

ABOUT THE TOWN

The town is full of antiques (including a "crank before you lift the receiver" telephone system), but boasts a fine weekly newspaper, two theaters, ice plant, municipal light and water plant, many good cafes, etc. (For further details just start a native of Starke to talking).

One always finds the Starke men ready to admit their good fortune in being so close to home. The first sergeant, genial Elmo Struth (an undertaker before induction) is the only married enlisted man in the company, and his wife and son look forward to his trips to town. Most of the others have sweethearts (or families) to visit when they go in, so the nightly clamor for passes can easily be imagined.

Staff sergeant James Dennis, who has charge of issuing passes for the detachment, said he was sure "glad to see pass cards come out."

HEARTS NEAR HOME

Several severe cases of "heart throb trouble," notably Sergeants Al Carlisle, Dennis, Bob Dobbs, and Corporals Morris Jackson and Bob Long, are to be found within the detachment, and, in spite of the old adage that "absence makes the heart grow fonder," these five race back and forth between Starke and Camp as regularly as the mail man.

The detachment has only one private, Tracy Baker. When he went on sick call Tuesday, someone drily remarked: "Up-oh! Our private is sick." The detachment furnishes the battalion commander, Major Maxwell Snyder, his chauffeur, and Steve Walker and George Silcox take turns on this "tedious" job. And every member of the organization will swear to you that they are called on for "everything," their small personnel notwithstanding; they even furnish an attendant to officers' mess, Zack Myrick. "PFC." Myrick says he clipped the other O. M. boys for \$6.50 Monday. (Somebody still has money.)

MOTORCLCLE BOYS

Two of the few motorcycles in the 124th are in the detachment, for "PFC's" Ed Johnson and Brunner Baker each own one. It's nothing unusual for one to find a stray pig's tail caught in the spokes, and some hair-raising stories have been heard concerning the two cyclists, who usually ride alone (not from choice, but from necessity).

Now the only two members of the detachment we haven't plugged in this story yet are Corporals Mitch Edwards and Clifford Hazen. We are convinced it would be better for all concerned just to leave it unsaid, because yours truly usually rides to town with one or the other.

NO WOOD ASH CANS

Only GI cans or other metal containers can be used for ash cans, and they cannot be placed in buildings. No wooden boxes or barrels can be used.